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Peace Corps of Youth Is Proposed for Emerging Nations

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SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2 (AP) — Sen. John F. Kennedy proposed Wednesday night the establishment of a peace corps in which young men could serve in underdeveloped nations for three years instead of being drafted for military duty.

Warning that "the enemy advances now by nonmilitary methods," the Democratic Presidential candidate said this country must have representatives abroad of greater talent and training, especially in the newly-emerging nations that need specialized help.

NOT PEACE SOLUTION

"We can push a button to start the next war but there is no push-button magic to bring a just and lasting peace," Kennedy said in a speech at the Cow Palace.

The talk marked the windup of Kennedy's final two-day bid for the 32 electoral votes of California, home State of his Republican opponent Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Earlier, Kennedy accused the Eisenhower Administration of using national defense funds for political ends and pledged, if elected, to push for speedy action on measures to raise educational standards.

ALTERNATIVE TO DRAFT

In his speech here, Kennedy proposed that present efforts to aid underdeveloped areas of the world be supplemented by a corps of "talented young men willing and able to serve in countries in this fashion for three years as an alternative to peacetime Selective Service."

He said the corps would be open to women as well as men and that all its members would be well qualified through rigorous standards and well trained in the language, skills and customs they would need to know.

"We cannot discontinue training our young men as soldiers of war," he said. "But we also need them as ambassadors of peace."

VOLUNTARY CORPS

Kennedy said this would be a voluntary corps drawn from every race and walk of life from among young people "eager to serve the cause of peace in the most useful way."

"I am convinced," Kennedy said, "that our young men and women, dedicated to freedom, are fully capable of overcoming the efforts of Mr. Khrushchev's missionaries, who are dedicated to undermining that freedom."

The Senator said these proposals offered no quick and easy solution to the problems of peace

but he called them "essential tools."

In a statement released in Los Angeles before flying to San Diego, San Jose and San Francisco, Kennedy called money released for the B-70 program, use of defense funds for political purposes.

He said "transparent political maneuver lies behind the Administration's decision to release an additional \$155 million for development" of the supersonic B-70 bomber.

He said that amount of money, and more, was made available for the B-70 by the Democratic Congress a year and a half ago.

"The Republican Administration waits until a week before election to release the funds speaks for itself," Kennedy said. "The objective is not to increase national defenses; it is to increase Republican votes."

CHEERING RECEPTION

Aides were cheered by the tumultuous reception the Senator received in Los Angeles Tuesday. Sen. Clair Engle (D., Calif.) traveling aboard Kennedy's plane, predicted Kennedy would carry the State by 500,000 votes. He called that a conservative estimate.

On the flight to San Diego aboard his private plane, the Caroline, Kennedy received his third secret briefing from the Central Intelligence Agency since his nomination last July.

Gen. Charles R. Cabell, deputy director of the CIA, was closeted with Kennedy for 10 to 15 minutes. Cabell told newsmen he had prepared a written memorandum and went over it orally with the Senator.

The briefing was requested by Kennedy. An aide said he wanted "to find out if there was anything he should know to fulfill his duty to the country." Kennedy's last briefing by the CIA took place in Washington about a month ago.

At San Diego, Kennedy declared the Republicans sent President Eisenhower out to lead a "rescue squad" for Nixon. He said the GOP benched its truth squad because it once told the truth.

About 10,000 at San Diego heard the Democratic candidate say "this campaign has not been entirely wasted" because, the Republican candidate had come out in support of Democratic housing, Social Security and aid to education programs. He said Nixon and a majority of other Republicans formerly opposed such measures.

BACK TO CALIFORNIA

"We've made a progressive out of Mr. Nixon," said Kennedy, adding voters were going to send Nixon back to California four more years to study up and become even more liberal in his views.

Kennedy started his second California day with a breakfast speech to a rally of Democratic women in Los Angeles in which he pledged himself anew to action on the education front.

AID FOR STUDENTS

The Senator proposed, among other things, enactment of a student loan insurance act modeled on the "highly-successful program" adopted in his own State of Massachusetts. Under it, the Federal Government would guarantee student loans made by colleges and universities in return for a small premium.

Aid for school construction and teacher's salaries, cardinal points in Kennedy's education program, also was promised for "early 1961" Congressional action.

Before he got serious, the Democratic candidate bubbled over with quips and jibes at Nixon.

"This is a beautiful State," he said, "and I'm sure Mr. Nixon will enjoy it. Mr. Nixon is calling me a liar so much every day, but I say this State has plenty of beautiful women and I challenge him to call me a liar."

BEAUTIFUL WOMEN

While Kennedy was speaking, a technician in shirtsleeves raced up to the podium and began fiddling with the cluster of microphones, working furiously against time to unroll some tape and place several microphones together. Kennedy laughed at the unusual interruption, then cracked:

"This never happens in the Vice President's campaign. Everything is well organized. They don't get the votes, but they are well organized."